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Operation Support Group

Biosolids Certification Package
February 1, 2019 – February 28, 2019

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For The City of San Diego
Public Utilities Department

By 

Date 5/8/19

Richard Pitchford
Superintendent
Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Division
Metropolitan Biosolids Center

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By: 

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David Marlow
Superintendent
Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Division
Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant

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CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

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VECTOR ATTRACTION REDUCTION

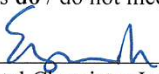
The daily fractional volatile solids reduction (FVSR) values were calculated using the Van Kleck Equation and raw and digested sludge volatile solids for the month of March 2019 from locations based on the following information from Operations staff:

All sludge sent to Metro Biosolids Center (MBC) from the Pt. Loma WWTP is pumped from Digester 7.
Only North City Water Reclamation Plant (NCWRP) raw sludge is going to MBC digesters.
The MBC thickened sludge samples are representative of the raw sludge from NCWRP.
MBC is using Digester No.1 for sludge processing.

The following determinations of volatile solids were done using approved methods by a laboratory certified by the State of Arizona (Cert. No. AZ0783)

63.6 % Average Volatile Solids Reduction for the Pt. Loma WTP sludge digestion process.
57.7 % Average Volatile Solids Reduction for the sludge MBC treats from the NCWRP.


Both streams ~~do~~ / ~~do not~~ meet 38% FVSR criteria.



Environmental Chemistry Laboratory Senior Chemist


Date 4/26/2019

I certify that the sludge samples taken and used in these determinations were taken and handled under my direction and supervision using approved methods and are representative samples of actual operational conditions.



Wastewater Treatment Superintendent
Metro Biosolids Center (MBC)

5/8/19
Date



Wastewater Treatment Superintendent
Pt. Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant


5-8-19
Date

**CERTIFICATION STATEMENT
VECTOR ATTRACTION REQUIREMENTS**

I certify, under penalty of law, the vector attraction reduction requirement in Paragraph 503.33 (b) (1) which states that:

The mass of volatile solids in the sewage sludge shall be reduced by a minimum of 38 percent, has been met. This determination has been made under my direction and supervision in accordance with the system designed to ensure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information used to determine that the vector reduction requirements have been met. I am aware that there are significant penalties for false certification including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

By:



Chief Plant Operator
Wastewater Treatment and Disposal


5/8/19
Date

POINT LOMA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
CALIFORNIA HAZARDOUS WASTE IDENTIFICATION TESTS (Title 22)
Metro Biosolids Center Dewatered Sludge
From 01-MAR-2019 to 31-MAR-2019

Source: MBCDEWCN
Sample ID: P1079204
Sample Date: 31-MAR-19

Constituent	MDL	Units	Total	Total	TTL	W.E.T.	STLC	40 CFR	503	CA Health & Safety code
			Dry Wt. mg/Kg	Wet Wt. mg/Kg	Wet Wt. mg/Kg	Wet Wt. mg/L	Wet Wt. mg/L	Limits **	Limits ***	
Antimony	0.4	MG/KG	5.94	1.8	500	*	15.00			
Arsenic	1.33	MG/KG	4.09	1.24	500	*	5.00	41		
Barium	0.46	MG/KG	356	108	10000	*	100.00			
Beryllium	0.1	MG/KG	0.12	0.036	75	*	0.75			
Cadmium	0.1	MG/KG	0.85	0.259	100	*	1.00	39		
Chromium (VI)			NA		500	NA	5.00			
Chromium	0.1	MG/KG	46.9	14.2	2500	*	560.00	1,200		
Cobalt	0.1	MG/KG	3.49	1.06	8000	*	80.00			
Copper	1.7	MG/KG	526	160	2500	*	25.00	1,500	2,500	
Lead	0.2	MG/KG	11.8	3.6	1000	*	5.00	300	350	
Molybdenum	0.1	MG/KG	13.2	4.01	3500	*	350.00			
Mercury	0.059	MG/KG	0.83	0.252	20	*	0.20	17		
Nickel	0.1	MG/KG	21.9	6.63	2000	*	20.00	420	2,000	
Selenium	0.93	MG/KG	5.6	1.7	100	*	1.00	100		
Silver	0.26	MG/KG	4.24	1.29	500	*	5.00			
Thallium	0.2	MG/KG	ND	ND	700	*	7.00			
Vanadium	0.1	MG/KG	25.2	7.63	2400	*	24.00			
Zinc	0.8	MG/KG	829	251	5000	*	250.00	2,800		
Fluoride	1	MG/KG	39.9	12.1	18000	*	180.00			
Sulfides-Reactive	11	MG/KG	13	4						
Sulfides-Total	500	MG/KG	2500	759						
Total Solids		WT%	30.4							
Total Volatile Solids		WT%	60.2							
pH		PH	7.95		>2 - <12					
Ammonia-N	28	MG/KG	5180							
Nitrite Nitrate Calc		MG/KG	24.1							
Organic Nitrogen Calc.		MG/KG	42370							
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen		MG/KG	47550							
Aldrin	0.0006	MG/KG	ND	ND	1.4	*	0.14			
Chlordanes	0.0015	MG/KG	ND	ND	2.5	*	0.25			
DDT, DDE, DDD	0.001	MG/KG	0.010	0.003	1.0	*	0.10			
Dieldrin	0.0006	MG/KG	0.014	0.004	8.0	*	0.80			
2,4-D^	0.052	MG/KG	ND	ND	100	*	10.00			
Endrin	0.001	MG/KG	ND	ND	0.2	*	0.02			
Heptachlor	0.0004	MG/KG	ND	ND	4.7	*	0.47			
Kepone		NA	NA	NA	21	NA	2.10			
Lindane	0.87	MG/KG	ND	ND	4.0	*	0.40			
BHC, Total	0.0009	MG/KG	ND	ND	4.0	*	0.40			
Methoxychlor	0.0007	MG/KG	ND	ND	100	*	10.00			
Mirex	0.0011	MG/KG	ND	ND	21	*	2.10			
Pentachlorophenol		NA	NA	NA	17	NA	1.70			
PCBs (Aroclors)	2.19	MG/KG	ND	ND	50	*	5.00			
Toxaphene	0.16	MG/KG	ND	ND	5	*	0.50			
Trichloroethene	0.009	MG/KG	ND	ND	2040	*	204.00			
2,4,5-TP^	0.036	MG/KG	ND	ND	10	*	1.00			

On the basis of these analyses, I certify that this dried sludge is non-hazardous as defined by California Code, Title 22, Section 66699. All determinations were done using approved methods by laboratories certified by the State of Arizona (Cert. No. AZ0783).


Elvira Mercado, Senior Chemist, Environmental Chemistry Laboratory

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^ = Sample date of 02/28/2019. Analysis performed by Babcock Laboratories.

ALVARADO WASTEWATER CHEMISTRY LAB,
ARIZONA DH No. AZ0783
Total and Volatile Solids

PROTOCOL: SM2540G/EPA160.4
 MDL(%): 0.24
 LCS TRUE VALUE: 4

1st Entry	2nd Entry	Final Entry

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FVSR (Fractional Volatile Solids Reduction)

$$FVSR = \frac{VS_p - VS_b}{VS_p - (VS_p * VS_b)} = \frac{Vol.solidsRaw - Vol.solids Digested}{Vol.solids Raw - (Vol.solids Raw * Vol.solids Digested)}$$

Where: VS_p = Volatile Solids Feed Sludge (RAW SLUDGE),
 VS_b = Volatile Solids Digested Sludge (DIG SLUDGE), currently only digester 7 is used for the calculation.

Volatile Solids (VS) is expressed as fractional numbers.

Average Volatile Solids for March 2019

Average %TVS Digested Sludge (Digester 7) for the month.	Average Raw (feed) sludge %TVS for the month	Calculated FVSR (%)
CA Lab data used	CA Lab data used	CA Lab data used
59.3	80.0	63.6%

Average Volatile Solids for March 2019

Average %TVS Digested Sludge (MBC Dig 1) for the month.	Average Raw (feed) sludge (MBC_TSBTC) %TVS for the month	Calculated FVSR (%)
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63.9	80.7	57.7%

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Monthly Sludge Composite Certification - Centrifuge Dewatered Sludge

I. INORGANIC POLLUTANT CONCENTRATIONS: The results of analyses below are for a composite sample of daily centrifuged dewatered sludge samples taken from the centrifuges over the calendar month of March 2019. All analyses were performed by the City of San Diego's Environmental Chemistry Services Laboratory using methods certified by the State of Arizona (Cert. No. AZ0783).

Metals from Table 3 of Paragraph 503.13†
(All concentrations in dry weight)


Parameter	Value	Units	503 Limit	Units
Arsenic	4.09	mg/Kg	41	mg/Kg
Cadmium	0.85	mg/Kg	39	mg/Kg
Chromium	46.9	mg/Kg	1,200	mg/Kg
Copper	526	mg/Kg	1,500	mg/Kg
Lead	11.8	mg/Kg	300	mg/Kg
Mercury	0.83	mg/Kg	17	mg/Kg
Molybdenum	13.2	mg/Kg	75	mg/Kg [^]
Nickel	21.9	mg/Kg	420	mg/Kg
Selenium	5.6	mg/Kg	100	mg/Kg
Zinc	829	mg/Kg	2,800	mg/Kg
Total Nitrogen#	4.76	Wt %		
Date of Sample	31-March-2019			
Total Solids	30.4	Wt %		
Volatile Solids	60.2	Wt %		

† Also conforms to Table 2-Monthly Average Pollutant Concentration of the Arizona Administrative Code Title 18, Chapter 9.

[^] Limits for Molybdenum taken from 2009 version of 40 CFR part 503.13 Table 1, Ceiling Concentrations

Value is a sum calculation of Total kjeldahl nitrogen, Nitrate as N and Nitrite as N.

Based on this month's analysis and the results of analyses of monthly sludge composite samples for the previous year, no parameter in the described sludge stream exceeds 40 CFR Part 503 Standards for land application.



Senior Chemist
Environmental Chemistry Laboratory,
California State ELAP Cert. No. 1609

4/26/2019

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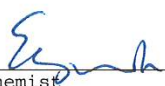
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